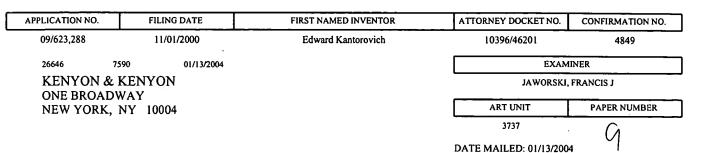






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The response filed 10-29-03 contained instructions to cancel claims 38-83 followed by instructions electing with traverse to prosecute claims 1-20, 63-65 and 77-78 as well as certain additional claims. Clarification is requested to assure that applicants' intent is to cancel the higher-numbered portion of the elected claim grouping.

A Shortened statutory period of ONE MONTH is extended to complete the restriction response.

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